

THURSDAY, Jan. 10th, 1878..

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dashiell.

Present at roll call the following Senators :

Messrs. President, Bannon, Combs, of Allegany, Combs, of St. Mary's, Cooper, Dennis, Ford, Franklin, Freeman, Garey, Gorman, Hepbron, Hill, Humphreys, Joyce, Lancaster, Lee, McLane, Miller, Newcomer, Peter, Steiner, Stump, Sulivane, Welfley, Wilson—26.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. McLane presented the petition of Wm. H. S. Bur-gwyn, soliciting the aid of the General Assembly towards the publication of the Digest of the Maryland Reports from 21st Maryland to 48th Maryland, inclusive.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Mr. Humphreys presented the petition of Elijah S. Adkins, guardian of C. S. H. Littleton, minor, Jas. Galliss, Levin M. Dashiell and James H. West, Judges of the Orphans' Court of Wicomico County, and William Birthead, Register of Wills for Wicomico County, asking for the passage of an Act enabling C. S. H. Littleton to take charge of his property and release his guardian.

Which was read and referred to Senators Humphreys, Dennis and Franklin.

On motion by Mr. Lee, it was

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to procure a thermometer for the use of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Peter,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to introduce a bill to provide for the making of a General Index to the Last Wills and Testaments recorded in the office of Register of Wills for Montgomery County.

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